

## Housecomm 11/8/2017

### Agenda:

#### Announcements

- root beer floats
- meet with 4w/5e after housecomm to talk about smoking
- tessa mclain from osc is coming on the 14th
- electcomm
- bathroom signs
- walker cafe
- airgas update
- teaching grad families to mural

Woodshop discussion

Art Installation

FYE

Clothing optional

Attendance: All here

### **Announcements**

We have root beer floats from chancellor's office.

After housecomm, Allie will meet with 4w/5e to talk about Committee on Student Life and smoking.

On Nov 14th, Tessa Mclain, new head of Office of Student Conduct will come talk about what she does. 6:30pm. Be there.

Bathroom signs, gender neutral bathroom signs (no gender on them!). Please take and put on your doors at eye level.

Electcomm: email sent to ec-residents, run for P/VP by Nov 17th!!

Walker cafe: Thursday Dec 7th from 6pm-8pm, EC exclusive event at new walker cafe

Airgas: Their delivery window is supposed to be 7pm-12am midnight weekends, 9am-12am weekends. Getting hard for them to make this window because too much research is happening at MIT!! Short term: whenever Airgas emergency happens, Rob will notify dorm there will be a late night delivery. Medium term: Install pump next to tank instead of on the truck, will quiet things down a lot. Long term: tanks will move entirely to other side of 66. Tldr; airgas, facilities, admins all working on this issue.

Idea from Rob: EC and Random and other mural dorms spread the mural knowhow and joy to Eastgate and Westgate (married and family grad student housing). We should teach kids how to paint murals in their public playrooms and apartments :D May be valuable to EC in the long term to have more places with murals. Maybe an IAP thing, email [rcm@mit.edu](mailto:rcm@mit.edu) if interested!

### **Woodshop discussion**

It's as messy as it was before, Joe doesn't want to pay for someone to clean, someone (not from EC) got hurt. Obviously, we need to do something. It's hard for Joe's crew to move things due basement. Toolcomm has been spending hours cleaning up after everyone.

How do people feel about the need of having a designated space? (separate from just having tools)

- We're adults and need to clean up after our own shit
- Should we pay someone out of EC money?
  - Sets a weird precedent
- Check in/check out system?
  - May restrict times that people can take out tools
- Put up a camera?

Maybe we can close shop down until basement gets fixed over IAP

### **Art Installation (presentation by Julia Rue but given by Allie)**

From BC, she made a proposal where artist (Philip something), who installs huge ass marquees in places that don't need marquees. Her project for class was just proposal, but she wants to see if we want it to happen for realsies. Sometime in spring if people are interested. OMG what if over Transparent Horizon. We would not have to spend \$\$\$ on it. People are excited.

### **First Year Experience**

Ian Waitz is new vice chancellor, one of his priorities is fixing the first year experience. FYE committee is working on a class open to everyone. Class is going to be HASS-S with projects of how to improve aspects about first year. Going around asking people thoughts and questions about first year. If you have more feelings, email [student-fye-core@mit.edu](mailto:student-fye-core@mit.edu). Class will be 2.S991, 12 units (but probs not time intensive), will lead to real change!

### **Clothing optional**

Referendum last year didn't pass to have clothing optional courtyard/talbot. Spocky is bringing it back but this time: only toplessness, only inside, only public spaces (not halls). Our constitution now has a referendum policy. Allie, as president, is going to force this to referendum. There is a section in there where housecomm can suspend policy (like during parents' weekend).

- Joeg is concerned about facilities, contractors, delivery people, etc. Can there be hour limits?
- Some sort of visible signage?
- This will be referendum during P/VP elections, need 67% to pass.

**Other discussion**

Next Housecomm is 11/29, will be electing CPW chairs then. Note this is in 3 weeks, after Thanksgiving

Tech Twinkles: maybe we'll get more lights?